

Historic Preservation Commission  
BOROUGH OF CLOSTER, NEW JERSEY  
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING  
Monday,  
January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2011

Ms. Stella, Chair called the Regular Monthly Meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission of the Borough of Closter, New Jersey held on Monday, January 24th 2010 in the Council Chambers of the Borough Hall to order at 8:00PM. She stated that the meeting was being held in compliance with the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Act of the State of New Jersey and had been advertised in the newspaper according to law. Ms. Stella invited all persons present to join the Board in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following HPC members were present at the meeting:

Ms. Stella  
Ms. Rothschild  
Ms. Bouton Goldberg  
Mr. Adriance  
Mr. Lobosco  
Mr. Radick  
Ms. Rubinfeld-Waldron  
Mr. Kashwick (Council Liaison)-8:02PM

The following HPC members were absent from the meeting:

Mr. Davida  
Mr. Tobia

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**Approval of Minutes**

Motion was made by Mr. Radick and seconded by Ms. Goldberg to approve minutes of November 2010. All present were in favor of approval.

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Motion was made by Ms. Stella and seconded by Ms. Goldberg to nominate Ms. Rothschild as HPC Chair for the year 2011. All members present were in favor. Ms. Stella announced that Ms. Waldron and Mr. Tobia were reappointed.

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**Open Meeting to the Public**

There were no comments made at this time.

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**Correspondence List**

Ms. Rothschild mentioned the attached correspondence list and specifically commented on the state bill regarding tax credits. The members discussed mentioned correspondence. Ms. Roths-

child spoke of correspondence regarding Borough ordinance amendment. Ms. Stella mentioned that draft regarding ordinance was prepared by Mr. Rogan. Mr. Kashwick stated that this would be referred to Planning Board for their recommendations to the Mayor and Council. Mr. Radick reminded the Commission that Mr. Spizziri wanted clarification of the ordinance. The members continued to discuss the ordinance (and proposed changes). A decision was made that Ms. Rothschild and Mr. Radick would continue to research and work on the wording for the proposed changes in ordinance. Ms. Rothschild mentioned that Mr. Adriance would also be included. Mr. Kashwick spoke of the procedure and time it would take to approve an ordinance change. Motion was made by Ms. Rothschild and seconded by Ms. Stella to form a temporary subcommittee (consisting of Ms. Rothschild and Mr. Radick) regarding ordinance change. Ms. Rothschild reminded the members to send her any changes in their contact information. Ms. Stella spoke of an additional correspondence regarding the Bergen County Historic Society library. Ms. Stella reminded the members of the tax credit seminar which would take place at Jersey City Medical Center on Saturday, January 29<sup>th</sup>.

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## **Old Business:**

### **#1-119 Hickory Lane**

Ms. Rothschild stated that this would be on hold until the ordinance change is finalized.

### **#2- Historic Element to the Master Plan**

Ms. Rothschild stated that Mr. Banisch was working on adjusting his schedule in order to attend a Planning Board meeting. Ms. Rothschild stated that she submitted edits regarding HPP. Ms. Goldberg suggested this topic be included on the agenda for the joint board meeting.

### **#3- Open Space Allocations**

Ms. Stella spoke of quote received regarding street signs.

### **#4-Cemetery**

Mr. Davida was not present to discuss.

### **#5-National Alliance of Preservation Commissions**

Mr. Davida was not present to discuss.

### **#6- Borough Hall**

Ms. Rothschild stated that three bids were received regarding restoration of Borough Hall. Subcommittee was formed consisting of Ms. Stella, Mr. Radick and Mr. Adriance regarding reviewing of proposals and deciding on a firm. Ms. Rothschild stated that members of subcommittee would need to be in contact with Mayor Heymann and Mr. Wiest.

### **# 7 Future Proposals for designation**

Ms. Rothschild stated she had not done any further research on Station Court at this point. Ms. Goldberg spoke of her research regarding 151 West Street. Ms. Rothschild suggested that a letter

be sent to the owner of 151 West Street to notify them of the Commission's findings. Ms. Stella stated she began research on the church property.

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**Liaison Reports:**

**Council-** Mr. Kashwick spoke of the upcoming budget requests. He also spoke of the proposed Borough tower relocation.

**Planning Bd-** Ms. Stella stated she would be serving on the Planning Board as an alternate. The Commission stated that would like to thank Mr. Ouzoonian for serving on the HPC as the PB liaison.

Ms. Rothschild stated she would be part of the "green team" committee.

**Zoning Bd-** No comments

**Improvement-** No comments

**Environmental-** Ms. Goldberg stated that the commission discussed the green team and the farm property.

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\*\*Disc ended at 9:12 PM due to the power button shutting off accidentally.

From Ms. Rothschild's memory:

**New Business:** Ms. Stella discussed an overall reading and revision of the HPC ordinance and how it should be accomplished, as our former attorney, Eric Bal, did not undertake this project. Ms. Rubinfeld-Waldron is preparing the CLG report and needs input from all members as to what courses they have taken over the past year. A discussion of the Bergen County Historic Preservation Awards took place; it was the general consensus that Closter's "300<sup>th</sup>" celebration should receive an award. Ms. Bouton-Goldberg recommended that the HPC send a card to Mr. Ouzoonian in appreciation for his distinguished and committed service as the Planning Board liaison.

**Adjournment:** MSG Radick, Bouton Goldberg to adjourn at 9:30 p.m.

Prepared by Rose Mitchell and Jennifer Rothschild

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